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RUCEAAM/HQ NORAD INTEL CEN CHEYENNE MTN AFB CO//J2V//
RUEOACC/CDRPSYOPGP FT BRAGG NC//AORC-POG-SB//
RUANJTF/CJTF FOUR
RHCGSRB/CINCFOR FT MCPHERSON GA//FCJ2-IC/FCJ3-OD//
RUCBSAA/USCINCLANT NORFOLK VA//J2//
RUWANGC/CJTF FIVE//J20//
RUWSMXI/AMC INTEL CEN SCOTT AFB IL//IN//
RUCQVAB/USCINCSOC INTEL OPS CEN MACDILL AFB FL
RUWANTX/CJTF SIX
RHLBAAA/USCINCSO QUARRY HEIGHTS PM
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RUEADWW/NSC WASHDC//DEA REP//
RUEDEEA/COGARD COMLANTAREA NEW YORK NY//AI//
RUEHNA/DEAHQS WASHDC//A,AD/OC/OF/OFL/AO/OS/OIC/OISL//
RUEBMRA/USCUSTOMS WASHDC//DIR// 0626
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TAGS: SNAR, BL
SUBJ: OPERATION GHOST ZONE; P-3 DEPLOYMENT NOV 92

1. (C) WHEN WE WERE NOTIFIED OF THE DEPLOYMENT OF A P-3 (SLICK), THE BOLIVIA COUNTRY TEAM AND OPG DESIGNED

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A MAXIMUM EFFORT COUNTERNARCOTICS OPERATION TO REINFORCE OPERATION GHOST ZONE UTILIZING IN-EXCESS OF 20 AIRCRAFT AND MORE THAN 150 UMOPAR/DEA/SNOWCAP.

A. (C) DURING THE FOUR DAY DEPLOYMENT OF THE P-3, THE BOLIVIAN GOVERNMENT HAS DEDICATED TWO PC-7 AIRCRAFT ON STRIP ALERT IN THE CHIMORE BASE CAMP TO REACT TO SUSPECT TRACKS DETECTED BY THE P-3. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THE BOLIVIAN GOVERNMENT HAS PERMITTED PC-7'S TO LAND AND OPERATE OUT OF THE BASE CAMP AND OPERATE IN THIS MANNER. IN ADDITION, THE UNIT COMMANDER OF THE PC-7'S HAS ORDERED HIS CREWS TO WORK THE FOUR DAYS STRAIGHT.

B. (C) THE PC-7 UNIT COMMANDER HAS COMMITTED AN ADDITIONAL TWO PC-7 SORTIES PER DAY TO FLY AIR-CAP.

C. (C) THE SNOWCAP TEAMS IN CHIMORE AND TRINIDAD HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED THAT RESPONSE TO SUSPECT TRACKS

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DETECTED BY THE P-3 ARE THE NUMBER ONE PRIORITY OVER ALL OTHER OPERATIONS. THE ONLY EXCEPTION TO THIS PRIORITY IS THE TOP ORGANIZATIONAL TARGETS. ALL ROUTINE FUNCTIONS AND OPERATIONS WILL BE POSTPONED UNTIL AFTER THIS DEPLOYMENT.

D. (C) WE HAVE DEDICATED THE DEA AREOCOMMANDER AND CASA-212, AS WELL AS ALL AVAILABLE RED DEVIL HELICOPTERS. A TOTAL OF 10 UH-1H'S HAVE BEEN MADE AVAILABLE TO THIS OPERATION DURING THIS PERIOD.

E. (C) TWO HELICOPTERS, SNOWCAP PERSONNEL AND UMOPAR TEAMS WILL BE BASED IN SANTA CATALINA TO RESPOND MORE QUICKLY TO TARGETS IN THE LA MEDIA AREA BETWEEN TRINIDAD AND CHIMORE.

F. (C) IN-COUNTRY INTELLIGENCE SITES HAVE BEEN ALERTED FOR TRAFFICKER SHIPMENT MESSAGES AND INDICATORS IN CHANGES IN PROCEDURES FOR SHIPMENTS.

G. (U) SNOWCAP TEAM CHIMORE HAS BEEN REINFORCED WITH MEMBERS OF THE DEA COUNTRY OFFICE AND ENFORCEMENT SECTION.

2. (C) [redacted]

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3. (C) OPERATION "SHUTDOWN" WILL LAST THE DURATION OF THE P-3 DEPLOYMENT AND CONSISTS OF MORE THAN 150 PERSONNEL ON THE GROUND AND IN THE AIR, TEN UH-1L HELICOPTERS, THREE CESSNA 206 AIRCRAFT, ONE CONFIDENTIAL

AEROCUMMANDER, ONE CASA 212 AND FOUR PC-7'S.

4. POC IS CA FERRARONE AND ACA AUFLICK, COMM. 592-8-11-2885.

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